

Frequently Asked Questions: AFA-11-2014-SA Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)

- In the SBIRT AFA, on pages 13 and 14 of 34, there is a requirement that applicants must demonstrate collaborations and memorandums of understanding (MOUs) that include, but are not restricted to, several types of organizations, including criminal justice systems and Family Court or Drug Courts. What would be the purpose of those MOUs? Would the courts refer their individuals over for an SBIRT screening?
 - Per page 13 of the AFA ‘...Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) must be completed with key partnering agencies and organizations, which may include but is not restricted to: [Drug Courts, etc.]’ Applicants are not required to establish this partnership as part of the application and/or service delivery process. Depending on the proposed target population and service setting identified by the applicant Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) services may benefit from a justice partnership; either as a justice entity referring to a community provider or as community provider encountering and/or coordinating services for individuals actively involved in the justice system.
- Can existing SBIRT providers/grantees apply to expand service provision in other counties not currently being served under their existing grant?
 - Yes, applications proposing the expansion and continuation of Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) services are eligible for award funds.
- Can existing SBIRT providers/grantees apply to expand service provision in counties already being served by their existing grant (serve the same geographic area but increase capacity/available of service)?
 - Yes, applications proposing the expansion and continuation of Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) services are eligible for award funds.
- Do existing GACSA SBIRT grantees have to submit an application to continue services in these regions as part of this AFA?
 - No, the GACSA SBIRT funds available in Region 2 and 5 are for new projects that were not awarded during previous GACSA supported AFA cycles. Existing grantees of the GACSA SBIRT funds are not required to apply for funds unless proposing new/expanded service provision.
- AFA 11-2014-SA SBIRT asks to identify the source of all data referenced. Do you want a reference page for sources and should we do this in APA style or do you just want us to reference the source in the paragraph/section?
 - The applicant may determine which method and citation format is best for their application as the space used for either will impact the overall length of the proposal.

- We would like to pay a licensed psychologist/licensed addictions counselor to provide supervision to the SBIRT counselor that we hire for this program. Would we list this person under personnel or would this be contract? If this is contract, do we need prior approval for this?
 - The funding provided supports the equivalent of 1.0 FTE to provide screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment services. Any additional staffing or supervision would typically be a part of or included in an approved indirect cost plan and recovered through the organizations indirect cost rate. If the organization proposes to contract this service/support then said costs may be included on the budget form as contractual. Total funding available may not exceed 50,000.00.
- What is the budget period for this grant?
 - Applicants must submit a budget for 12 months/1 year. The projected grant period for these services is State Fiscal Year 2015 (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015).